

Remarks

In its decision dated November 22, 2011, the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) affirmed the patentability of claims 4-6 of the present application. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 4. Claims 2-5, 7-9, and 17 have been canceled. Accordingly, the claims are now in condition for allowance.

Applicants reserve the right to pursue the canceled claims and/or claims of a different scope in one or more continuation applications.

Allowance of claims 1, 6, and 10-16 is respectfully solicited.

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